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***Election/Restrictions***

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121.

I. Claims 2-5, 7-13, 17, 19, 43-53, 55-70, 72, 87-92, drawn to an operation that enables a telecommunication network having the user equipment unit upon receiving the access group eligibility message compares the stored access group classification with contents of the access group eligibility message to determine whether the user equipment unit is allowed access to the cell for which the access group eligibility message is transmitted (455/519).

II. Claims 14 and 15, drawn to an operation that enables a telecommunications network having the user equipment upon entering a new cell which does not involve a transition to a new location area, the user equipment unit need not check the access group eligibility message to determine whether the user equipment unit is allowed access to the new cell (455/517).

2. Inventions I and II are unrelated. Inventions are unrelated if it can be shown that they are not disclosed as capable of use together and they have different modes of operation, different functions, or different effects (MPEP § 806.04, MPEP § 808.01). In the instant case the different inventions are distinct from each other because of the following reasons: Invention I deals with the operation enables a telecommunication network having the user equipment unit upon receiving the access group eligibility message compares the stored access group classification with contents of the access group eligibility message to determine whether the user equipment unit is allowed access to the cell for which the access group eligibility message is transmitted

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(455/519); Invention II deals with the operation an operation that enables a telecommunications network having the user equipment upon entering a new cell which does not involve a transition to a new location area, the user equipment unit need not check the access group eligibility message to determine whether the user equipment unit is allowed access to the new cell (455/517).

3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different modes or operation, different functions, or different effects, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

4. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

5. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Ant amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by request, under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

### ***Conclusion***

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KHAI M. NGUYEN whose telephone number is (571)272-7923. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00.

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